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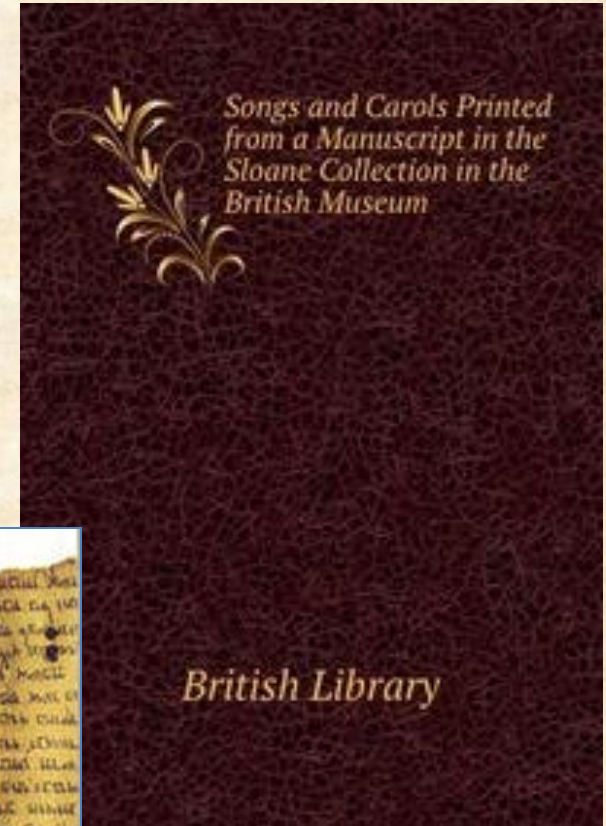
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You can find there some of the first English books printed by William Caxton.



¶ The xviij. fable is of the labourer and of the children



He that laboureth, continually may nat taye to haue plenty of goodes. as it appereth by this presente fable. of a goode man labourer whych all his lyf had laboure and wrought a was ryche & it han he shulde dye / he sayd my tresoure, I haue left in my byne & after that the gode mā was dede his children whych supposed y^e his tresoure had ben in the byne dyd no thinge al day but delued / and it bare more fruyte than it dyd before. For who

so trauaileth well. he hathe ever byde ynoughe for to ete. and he that woorketh nat dyeth for hunger.

¶ Here senyth the fables of Esop.



William Caxton was a printer who lived
in the XV century.

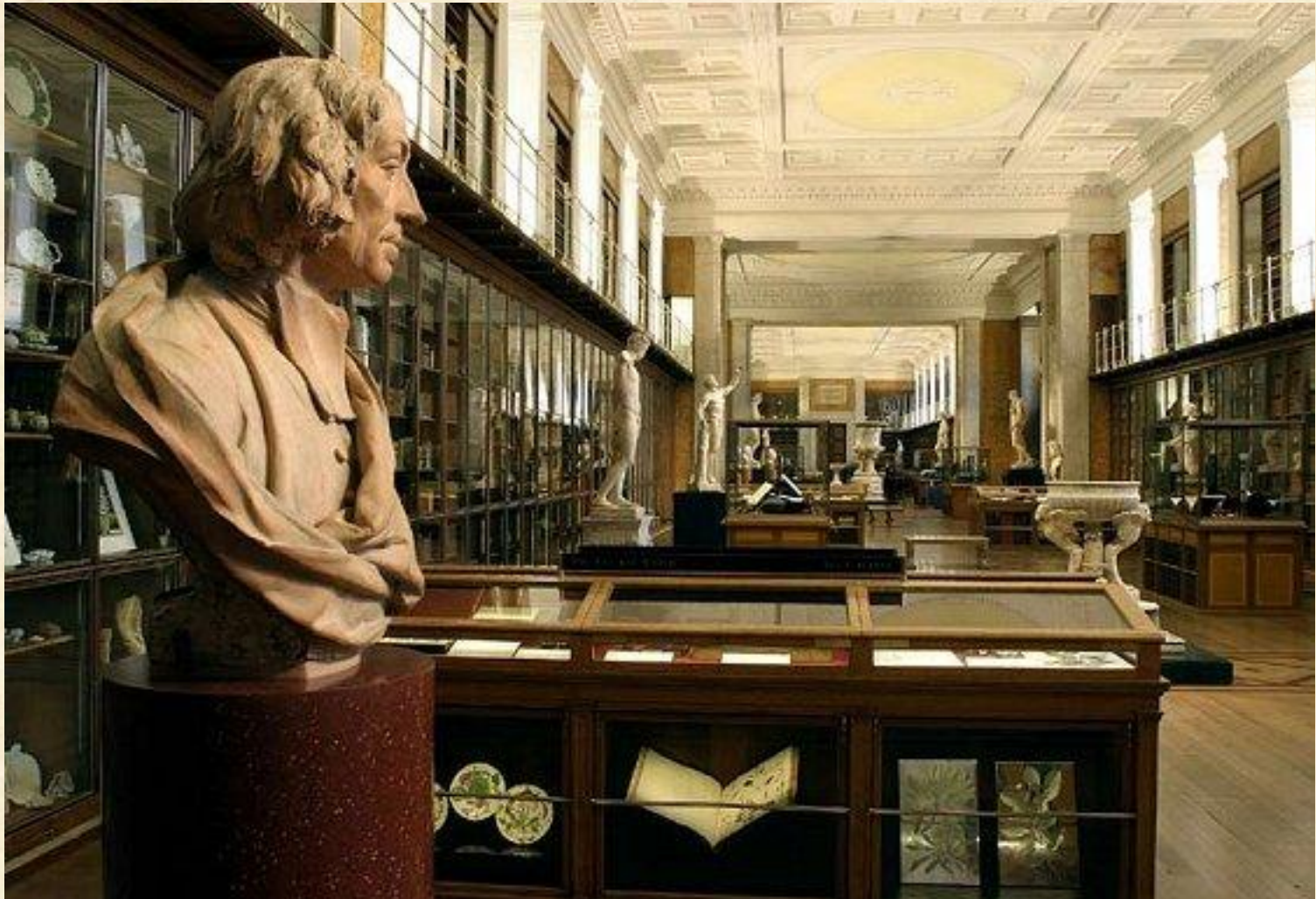




He made the first printing-press
in England.



In the reading-room of the British Museum many famous men have read and studied.





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